

Gary Wayne Kirby, age 60, of Lafayette, Tennessee, passed away following a long battle with cancer on Saturday morning, May 12, 2012 at his residence. Funeral services for Gary Kirby are scheduled to be conducted on Monday, May 14, at 3 p.m. from the Chapel of the Alexander Funeral Home with Jerry Mercer officiating. Rusty Kirby, Jeff Gerkin, Kevin Kirby, Kent Carter, Corey Kirby, Josh Swindle, Keith Kirby, Daniel Cook, Chad Wheat, and Steve Walker served as Pallbearers. Interment will follow in the Macon County Memorial Gardens. Gary was born on February 3, 1952 in Lafayette, Tennessee to the late Bee Bernal Kirby and Pauline Frances Russell Kirby. There was one daughter and five sons born to this union. He married the former Laura Lee Morgan on November 28, 1974, sharing thirty-seven years together. They raised a son, Kobee and a daughter, Katie. Their marriage was built on companionship and a great love for each other. He was a very caring and devoted father. Transporting was Gary's main occupation for over twenty-six years. Having his own truck enabled him to pace his time and travels on the road. Farming was his second occupation. Gary worked on his farm weekends and in his spare time. Gary loved riding horses, especially quarter horses and barrel horses. He had acquired a herd of horses and cattle over the years. He was a member of the Lafayette Church of Christ.

Gary was a jokester and a prankster, who enjoyed socializing and being around people. Everyone loved to be around Gary and knew him as a great friend. The family would like to express their deepest thanks to special friend and caregiver Ms. Tammy Wilmore, for without her help it would not have been possible to take care of Gary at his home. Gary will be greatly missed by his family and all who knew and loved him. Gary is survived by; Wife, Laura Morgan Kirby, Son, Kobee Kirby, Daughter, Katie Kirby, Brothers and Sisters-in-law, Paul and Linda Kirby, Donnie and Jo Linda Kirby, Charlie and Carol Kirby, and Barry Kirby, Sister and Brother-in-law, Janie and Walter Buckingham all of Lafayette, TN, Special friend and caregiver, Tammie Wilmore, and several nieces and nephews also survive.